

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROSHI OOMURA) : Examiner: NYA
Appln. No.: NYA; Natl phase of) : Art Unit: NYA
PCT/JP05/007282)
Filed: Herewith) :
For: NETWORK DEVICE MANAGE-)
MENT APPARATUS AND ITS :
CONTROL METHOD, COM-)
PUTER PROGRAM AND COM- :
PUTER-READABLE STORAGE)
MEDIUM : October 4, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows, the claim changes being reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, and the Remarks beginning at page 10: